

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

NEWARK

Date: November 17, 2020

JUDGE: HON. CLAIRE C. CECCHI

COURT REPORTER: WALTER PERELLI

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Docket No. 20-CR-1008 (CCC)

Title of Case: U.S.A. v. MATTHEW BENJAMIN

Appearances: Jennifer Kozar, AUSA, for the Government  
Brian Neary, Esq. for Defendant

**Nature of Proceedings:** Plea to an Information Via Zoom Video

Ordered defendant sworn.

Defendant consents to plea to be held via videoconference, placed on the record

COVID 19 Order filed.

Defendant consents to his counsel signing his name on his behalf on all documents placed on the record

Defendant advised of his/her rights.

Defendant advised of his/her rights, charges and penalties

Counsel waives formal reading of the Information

Waiver of indictment filed.

INFORMATION filed.

PLEA: GUILTY to all Counts of the Information.

Plea agreement filed.

Rule 11 documents filed.

Ordered sentence date March 24, 2020 at 11:30 AM.

Ordered defendant remanded.

Time Commenced 2:00 p.m.

Time Adjourned 2:45 p.m.

Jacquie Lambiase  
Jacquie Lambiase, Deputy Clerk